[8th February 1924

The Madras Law College.

349 *Q.*—Mr. Yahya Ali Sahib: Will the hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state whether it is a fact—

(*a*) that the Madras Law College has been yielding a steady and large surplus every year since 1912;

(*b*) that the said College has yielded since its institution up to date a net surplus in the aggregate approximately of 8 lakhs of rupees;

(*c*) that need is felt in the said College—

(1) for providing new additional rooms for classes and for the assistant professors,

(2) for providing an additional staff of professors or assistant professors, and

(3) for increasing the menial establishment both in the library and in the office and in the private rooms of the assistant professors; and

(*d*) that the latest increase in the staff was in 1916 since which year the strength of the students has nearly doubled?

A.—(*a*) The annual nominal surplus varies from Rs. 31,000 to Rs. 45,000, but this has to be reduced by the cost of overhead charges and maintenance of buildings. The net surplus, if any, will be trifling.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) The Government have no information.

(*d*) The last increase to the *permanent* staff of the College was in 1916. The staff has been *temporarily* strengthened in the current year by the appointment of two additional assistant professors.

Mr. Yahya Ali Sahib:—"Is it a fact that the temporary staff would not be required from the 31st of March this year? I am asking with reference to clause (*d*) of the answer, Sir, in which it is stated that the staff has been temporarily strengthened this year by the addition of two additional assistant professors. I want to know if these temporary posts would not expire by the 31st of March or whether they would be continued after July also?"

The hon. Rao Bahadur Sir A. P. Patro:—"I want notice of this question. Sir."

Electric installation for the Umda Bagh Hostel.

350 *Q.*—Mr. Yahya Ali Sahib: Will the hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state whether there is a proposal to institute an electric installation for the Umda Bagh Hostel attached to the Government Madrasa-i-azam?

A.—Yes.

The Madras Telugu Pandits' Conference.

351 *Q.*—Mr. Sami Venkatachalam Chettiyar: Will the hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether he has received the Proceedings of the Madras Telugu Pandits' Conference held on the 17th November 1923 under the presidency of Diwan Bahadur Salla Guruswami Chetti Garu; and